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# *Memorandum*

TO: Commission

DATE: July 18, 2012

FR: Deputy Executive Director, Policy

RE: Funding Recommendation for Low-Income Transit Pass Pilot Programs

The Programming and Allocations Committee met on July 11, 2012 and referred to the Commission, without recommendation, the three options summarized below and detailed in the attached staff report.

1. Focus on the San Francisco pilot program in the near-term and establish a reserve within the OneBayArea climate program that could support future pilots, including Santa Clara and Alameda Counties' proposals, when they are further along in development.
2. Support three pilot programs – the San Francisco and Santa Clara County pilot programs as well as some funding for development of the Alameda County pilot program and a reserve should their Measure B3 be approved in November and they obtain transit operator support to proceed.
3. Establish a framework for a regional reduced fare program for low-income youth (50% discount off current youth fare).

The table below summarizes the amendments to resolutions that would be necessary should the Commission act on one of the options listed above. Staff would make the changes following the Commission action, consistent with Commission direction.

| Option | MTC Resolutions | Action |
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| 1 | a) MTC Res. 3925, Revised<br>b) MTC Res. 4035, Revised | a) Reprogram $5 million from the Climate Change Initiatives Program. $4 million to SFMTA for Free Low-Income Youth Pass and $1 million to Reserve for Future Low-Income Pilots<br>b) Reprogram $3 million from the Climate Program to a Reserve for Future Low-Income Pilots |
| 2 | a) MTC Res. 3925, Revised<br>b) MTC Res. 4035, Revised | a) Reprogram $5 million from the Climate Change Initiatives Program. $4 million to SFMTA for Free Low-Income Youth Pass and $1 million for SCVTA low-income reduced fare pass program.<br>b) Reprogram $3 million from the Climate Change Initiatives Program. $0.5 million to ACTC for student pass pilot development and $2.5 million for an Alameda County implementation reserve. |
| 3 | None | Direct staff to further develop a regional framework with a specific implementation recommendations in Fall/Winter 2012. |

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